

AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION

Minutes

September 11, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 8:16 am by Chairman Lee Buckingham at Auburn City Hall, Room 10. Present were: Lee Buckingham, Joyce Silva, April Maynard, Mike Holmes, Tim Grayson, Terri Goodman, and Judi Lardner. Absent were: Nancy Hakala and Rob Turner. A quorum was established and the August 14th and August 20th minutes approved as written.

Public Comment: Terri Goodman was welcomed as the newest member of the AAC. Joyce announced two upcoming events at the First Congregational Church – a Halloween festival on October 27th and a holiday craft fair on December 1st.

Public Art Loan Program: April suggested that the City should consider putting Jennifer Johnson Riley's sculpture, *Travels in Tranquility*, between the sidewalk and parking lot on Lincoln Way (between Pine and Almond Streets). A discussion ensued regarding the appropriateness of the site for public art and the desirability of placing the sculpture so close to pedestrian traffic. Mike asked if Judi would send him photos and specifics about the sculpture.

Streetscape project: April asked if the committee is likely to expand its responsibilities beyond the issue of commemorative tiles. Lee said there has been talk of other things the group might tackle, but no decisions have been made.

Mural Projects: After a brief discussion, it was the general consensus to abandon the idea of placing a "scroll" on the Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge mural but to instead simply ask artist Archie Warren to sign the mural. A motion to that effect was made and seconded. Judi requested that the motion be tabled until the next regular AAC meeting so that Rob can take part in the discussion.

City Hall Gallery: The October Art Walk and associated gallery show were brought up. Terri said she will handle the details of both the show and the art walk. There was further discussion about possibilities for upcoming shows including AAC-sponsored art competitions. April moved that the AAC sponsor a show featuring Auburn in winter, which would hang in the gallery this winter. Tim seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. April and Terri will handle the show details.

9/11 Memorial: Mike said that the 9/11 memorial, which will be unveiled today, will stay in the City Hall Gallery for a month or so and will then be relocated elsewhere in City Hall.

Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center: Mike said that the board is currently considering improvements to be made to the interior of the theater.

Airport Monument: Mike said that a fundraiser for the monument is planned in conjunction with Veteran's Day celebrations. The exact location of the monument has yet to be determined. A brief discussion ensued regarding how best to publicly recognize sizable donations to the monument fund.

Auburn Arts in the Park: Tim requested that the AAC establish a budget for Auburn Arts in the Park soon. He also asked several questions regarding specific budget items for the 2011/2012 and 2012/2013 fiscal years. A discussion ensued about the budget and it was suggested that volunteer labor and other donated items somehow be reflected in last year's accounting as well as in the budget for the 2013 festival. Options for shading the audience area were discussed. April asked if Lee had looked into whether the AAC could sponsor a logo competition for the festival as well as for the AAC. Lee said he had already talked to Bob Richardson and said he would talk with Mike as well. April requested that the topic of a logo competition be added to the agenda for the October 9th meeting.

Guide to Public Art Brochure: Tim distributed AAC access information for the AAC website that he has designed. He described what he plans to include on the site, including the AAC manual, how-to manuals for Auburn Arts in the Park, the City Hall Gallery, and the AAC website. Tim urged AAC members to explore the website in progress. There was a brief discussion about the desirability of creating PDF versions of event applications that could be filled out online and then printed for mailing.

Auburn Arts in the Park (con't): Lee suggested that a small committee be formed to work on festival details. April, Tim, Joyce and Lee volunteered. Joyce said that she spoke with the secretary of the 20/30 Club, who confirmed that the club is planning to handle food and alcohol sales at the festival. Joyce also went over some questions associated with completing the City's application for conducting an outdoor festival. Terri inquired about how to best publicize the event on the various online calendars.

The next regular meeting will be on October 9, 2012 at 8:15 am.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am
Respectfully Submitted,
Judi Lardner, Secretary